

REMARKS

Claim 6 has been amended. Claims 1-5, 13 and 17-18 have been canceled.

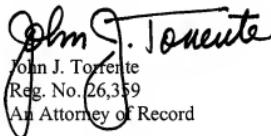
The Examiner has indicated that claim 13 would be allowable if rewritten independent form including the base claim and any intervening claims. Applicant has amended claim 6 to include the features of dependent claim 13 which has been canceled. Amended claim 6 thus represents dependent claim 13 rewritten in independent form and is, therefore, allowable.

Claims 7-12 and 14-16 depend from amended claim 13 and thus are also allowable.

In view of the above, all the claims remaining in the application, i.e., claims 6-12 and 14-16 are allowable. Accordingly, reconsideration of the claims and passage of same and this application to issue is respectfully requested.

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